GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2601
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Stress Counsellors of CAPF
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to hire stress counsellors for Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) to curb instances of suicide, mental and behavioural disorders amongst troops working under acute pressure in some of the toughest combat zones of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has recently given its nod to the Indo-Tibetan Border Police"s maiden proposal to recruit at least 44 stress-cum-teaching counsellors directly in the rank of head constables; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a) & (b): CAPFs have been hiring stress counsellors for Yoga/Stress management programmes, whenever required. Besides, stress management programmes are also organized in the Forces from time to time. Government has also sanctioned some posts of Education & Stress Counsellors (ESC).
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(c) & (d): Advertisement for recruitment of 44 vacant posts of Head Constables (ESC) against the total sanctioned posts of 300 HC/ESC has been released by the ITBP.

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